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FROM USDEL CSCE

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SUBJ: CODEL DOLE: DISCUSSIONS OF CSCE IN BELGRADE

1. SENATOR DOLE'S VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA CENTERED ON CSCE MATTERS. IT BEGAN ON JULY 4 WITH A QUIET DINNER WITH AMBASSADORS EAGLEBURGER AND SHERER AND ENDED WITH A SHORT VISIT TO THE CSCE MEETING ON THE MORNING OF JUL 5. IN THE INTERIM, HE RECEIVED A BRIEFING BY THE USDEL AND HAD MEETINGS WITH SOVIET DELEGATE VORONTSOV (WHO RECEIVED HIM AS U.S. SENATOR NOT A CSCE COMMISSION MEMBER) AND SWISS DELEGATE BRUNNER. BOTH OF LATTER MEETINGS WERE GOOD GENERAL DISCUSSIONS OUTLINING THE CSCE FROM THE PARTICULAR NATIONAL VIEWPOINTS. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST, VORONTSOV SAID THAT THE DOCUMENT PRODUCED AT THIS MEETING WOULD HAVE TO BE CLEARED BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE (I.E. POLITBURO). (SOVIETS HAVE SAID PREVIOUSLY THAT DOCUMENT PRODUCED BY PREPARATORY MEETING WOULD TAKE ONE WEEK FOR MOSCOW TO APPROVE).

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2. THE NEWS-STARVED PRESS SOUGHT AND WERE GRANTED A PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING THE SEVERAL BRIEFINGS ON JUL 4. PRESS INQUIRIES AS REPORTED BY STAFFDEL COVERED CSCE TOPICS ONLY. SENATOR DOLE REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT PLAN TO REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT BUT WOULD BE HAPPY TO DO SO IF ASKED. THE SENATOR CAREFULLY QUALIFIED OPINIONS AS HIS

OWN AND NOT THE SENATE'S OR COMMISSION'S. HE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH PERFORMANCE OF USDEL AND FELT THAT U.S. OBJECTIVES WOULD BE REALIZED. HE SAID THAT CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN HUMAN RIGHTS WAS STRONG IN SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S HUMAN RIGHTS' POLICY AND, IN FACT, PRE-DATED THE PRESIDENT'S INTEREST. HE SAID THAT THERE WERE SOME INCONSISTENCIES IN THE CARTER POLICY IN THAT CUBA WAS BEING COURTED EVEN THOUGH ITS RIGHTS RECORD WAS WORSE THAN MANY COUNTRIES WHO WERE BEING ACCUSED. EMIGRES, HE SAID, CITING HIS NUMEROUS MEETINGS AS IN VIENNA AND COMMISSION HEARINGS, EXPECT THE U.S. TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR CAUSE IS THOROUGHLY AIRED AT THE BELGRADE SUBSTANTIVE MEETINGS. HE NOTED THAT THIS COMMISSION WILL HAVE A SERIES OF MEETINGS IN THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE BELGRADE MEETINGS AIMED AT CONSOLIDATING ITS VIEWS AS IT DID PRIOR TO JUNE 15. HE DID NOT CITE INDIVIDUAL CASES AND DID NOT TOUCH ON U.S.-YUGOSLAVIA OR INTERNAL YUGOSLAV ISSUES. IN RESPONSE TO AN INQUIRY, HE SAID THAT HE HAD NOT MET WITH ANY OF THEM ONLY BECAUSE OF TIMING. HE DID NOT GIVE DETAILS OF EITHER OF HIS FOREIGN BRIEFINGS. HE, OF COURSE, STATED THAT HE, ALONG WITH OTHER COMMISSIONERS WOULD BE PRESENT FOR PART OF THE FALL MEETING.

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3. WE BELIEVE THAT THE VISIT HAD THE EFFECT OF SHOWING U.S. CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN A SOLID, RESPONSIBLE MANNER AND MAY HAVE AMELIORATED SOME FEARS PRESENT IN OTHER DELEGATIONS.

4. VISITS WITH YUGOSLAV OFFICIALS WILL BE REPORTED IN SEPTTEL.
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